

Minutes of the January 16, 2008, meeting,  
Lovettsville Room  
Loudoun County Government Center  
1 Harrison Street, S.E., Leesburg, Virgin

**Members Present:** Chairman Helen Casey, Vice Chairman Joan Rokus, Steve Combs-Lafleur, John Isom, Mark Peterson, Lynn Gibson, Phil Daley

**Members Absent:** Benjamin Lawrence, Kurt Erickson, Anne Larson (Catoclin Creek Liaison)

**County Staff Present:** Brian Fuller, PRCS, Marie Genovese, Planner, Community Planning, David Ward Department of Planning, Mark Novak, Recording Secretary, PRCS

**Guest:** David Herring, HTA, Chris Bourassa, Play To Win, LC, Brian Sears, Urban Eng., Michael Romeo, Walsh Colucci

### **Chairman's Business**

Chairman Helen Casey called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Several members of the Committee joined Mrs. Casey at the January 15th meeting of the Board of Supervisors to receive a Board of Supervisors' Resolution of Appreciation to the Goose Creek Scenic Advisory Committee for the outstanding work done over the years in protection of the Goose Creek.

**Motion to approve minutes of November 14, 2007;** approved

### **Next order of Business:**

The next order of business was introductions followed by special guest speakers for Play to Win. Michael Romeo representing Play to Win presented an update as to where the Applicant is in the process. The Applicant submitted an application addressing three (3) special exceptions and one (1) building modification in December of 2007 and currently is awaiting the Planning Departments' acceptance for processing. Since last meeting with the GCSRAC, the Applicant has responded to concerns voiced by the committee that included outdoor lighting and buffering. While there are still issues that need to be addressed, the most serious is resolving the sewer. The Applicant is currently working with LCSA on alternative solutions. Lighting was discussed at further detail with concern to the night sky impact. The Applicant is using MUSSO lighting

which uses state of the art lighting technology. PRCS offered to have the committee meet at Edger Tillet Park in the evening to see similar lights in operation. The Applicant is looking for a late March public hearing with the planning commission and will notify the chairman of the date. Copies of the conservation easement were provided for review. The easement will be eased to the County.

### **Committee Business**

Next order of Business: Vice Chairman Joan Rokus shared an editorial that was in the Washington Post that had to do with the Potomac Conservancy that released its first ever state of the nation rivers. Currently the Potomac River is rated as a D+. The County sponsors a yearly clean up of Goose Creek, which helps the water quality of the Potomac.

Next order of Business:

A grant is being offered by the Chesapeake Bay small water group to improve the Chesapeake Bay watershed. A "Where does the water go?" brochure is being considered by the Committee. A sub-committee consisting of Ben, Steve and Phil was formed to explore GCSRAC interest.

Next order of Business:

Ridgewater Park was withdrawn at the last Board of Supervisors meeting. The Applicant may bring the project back to the new Board. Helen will continue to monitor.

The Next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday March 12, 2008 – 1:00 P.M.  
Purcellville Room

There being no further business of the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark A. Novak, ASLA, PRCS